

Education



Dr. Brian Pyles, the Career and Technical Education Director for the Shiawassee Regional Education Service District, recently received recognition from the Michigan Occupations Special Populations Association (MOSPA) for his dedication and contribution to special population students in Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs in Shiawassee County. Dr. Pyles received the Outstanding Special Populations Professional Award at both the regional and state level.

Dr Pyles has been employed with the Shiawassee RESD since 2001 and has developed over 20 new CTE programs that allow students to explore careers, prepare for their college experience, gain college credit while attending high school and prepare for career and technical employment. In 2003, he had a vision of developing Countywide Career and Technical Programs that would be open to all students in the county to explore careers, prepare students for the college experience, gain college credit while attending high school and prepare students for career-technical employment. In collaboration with Baker College of Owosso, Memorial Healthcare, and the local school districts seven new programs were developed including HVAC & R, two Auto Services programs, Graphics/Web Design, Computer Networking and two Health Careers Programs. He is a member of many committees and organizations on the regional, state and national level that promotes Career and Technical Education and continues to advocate special population students.

MOSPA was formed in 1975 and is dedicated to ensuring special population students to have access to career and technical education.









Junior Achievement uses hands-on experiences to help young people understand the economics of life. Pictured here are Mrs. Daly's fifth graders at Shaftsburg Elementary learning about the global business world and geography with the big string-web; the Doyle Knight fifth graders of Mrs. Call's class are in an activity determining the science, technology, engineering and math skills needed for a variety of occupations; Ms. Quinn is one of our awesome volunteers pictured here with Mrs. Delaney's 3rd grade class at Louise Peacock. Finally, volunteers often receive many thank-you's from the students...this one sums it all up, "JA ROCKS!"

Thank you to all the Chamber Members that made the Young Children's Fun Fair & Touch a Truck and Other Things That Go! such a huge success!

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